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To: Worker's Compensation Insurance Carriers  
Self-Insured Employers

From: Gregory Krohm, Administrator  
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Subject: Worker's Compensation Rate Changes

The Worker's Compensation Act has been amended to increase the maximum compensation rate to \$538 per week for temporary total disability, permanent total disability and death benefits for injuries occurring on or after January 1, 1999 and before January 1, 2000. The new average weekly wage that will result in the new maximum rate will be \$807.00.

Using this new wage will raise the maximum death benefit for fatal injuries occurring on or after January 1, 1999 to \$161,400.

The maximum weekly indemnity rate for permanent partial disability will become \$184 for injuries occurring on or after January 1, 1999.

More detailed benefit payment information for 1999 is available in the enclosed chart.

Please notify all personnel who handle Wisconsin claims of this process. If you have any questions, please contact us at (608) 266-1340.

Detailed information about law changes and benefits can be found on the Division's web page:

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